

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The claims are 1, 3 to 7 and 11 to 15.

The Official Action states:

Claims 1, 4, 6 and 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Schade et al. (U.S. P4163101) at page 2, and claims 2-3, 5, 7, 11-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, the features of non-rejected claim 2 have been incorporated into claim 1 and claims 8 to 10 have been cancelled.

The remaining claims ultimately depend on above-amended claim 1.

For the foregoing reasons, it is apparent that all of the claims in this application are now in condition for allowance and an early indication to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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